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It is my belief that I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled **PROCESS FOR GROWING A DIELECTRIC LAYER ON A SILICON CONTAINING SURFACE USING A MIXTURE OF N<sub>2</sub>O AND O<sub>3</sub>**, the specification of which is attached hereto;

I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims;

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in Title 37 of the Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56;

I hereby claim the benefit of any earlier filing date in the United States to which I am entitled under Title 35 of the United States Code, §120 and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35 of the United States Code, §112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in Title 37 of the Code of Federal Regulation, §1.56 which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application.

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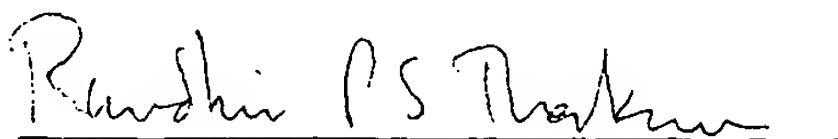
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Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 3.73, the undersigned representative of the Assignee has reviewed the evidentiary documents, specifically the Assignment to Micron Technology, Inc. recorded on May 22, 1996 at Reel 8227, Frame 0450, and certifies that to the best of his knowledge and belief, title remains in the name of Micron Technology, Inc. as Assignee of record of the entire interest in the above-identified patent application.

The undersigned further avers that he is empowered to make and sign the foregoing certification on behalf of the Assignee, and to take the action set forth herein on behalf of the Assignee, pursuant to a resolution of its Board of Directors.

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